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TRAC Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 29, 2008

In attendance:

Committee Members: Commissioner Deede Weithorn, Sam Rabin, Steve Chaneles, Frank Del Vecchio, Dr. Robert Henry, David Lancz

Absent: Mark Hunter, Mike Burke

City Staff: Robert Parcher, Hilda Fernandez, Gladys Acosta, Anne Swanson, Robert Biles, Diana Arocho, Ben Torter, Denia Garcia

A motion was made to approve the September minutes by Frank Del Vecchio, second by Steve Chaneles, minutes approved by the committee.

Steve Chaneles presented the motion he drafted based on the previous discussion on GPS systems for all city vehicles. Please see attached motion with revisions by Frank Del Vecchio. Motion was made by Steve Chaneles, seconded by Sam Rabin, motion approved.

In continued discussion regarding the CMB website, the Commission Meeting agenda is now tabbed from a list which will take you directly to the item you are looking for. Steve Chaneles suggested that a basic explanation be given on the website about the difference between the consent agenda and the regular agenda for residents who are not completely familiar with how the city functions. Mr. Chaneles also suggested that after actions be linked in after the meeting. Hilda Fernandez stated that the goal right now with the website is to finish the transition to the new format so a search engine can be implemented. Commissioner Weithorn suggested that the information given to residents in the Leadership Academy could be condensed into an online knowledge base as a reference for residents.

Saul Frances, Director of the Parking Department, presented an overview of the Parking Department's internal audit structure, financial and operational, done both through the Parking Department's own systems and the city's Internal Audit Department which audits the garages and attended lots monthly and during special events. The largest revenue generators are the attended parking lots/garages and the parking meters. Impark (contracted labor in parking lots and garages) is responsible for any cash shortages or ticket shortages.

Meeting Adjourned